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Quarterly Meeting of the
STATE HISTORICAL RESOURCES COMMISSION
Auburn City Hall
Council Chambers
1225 Lincoln Way
Auburn, California 95603
August 5, 2011
9:00 a.m.

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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Bryan K. Brandes, Chair, Public Member
Rick Moss, Vice Chair, History
Alberto Bertoli, AIA, Architecture
David Phoenix, Public Member
Julianne Polanco, Architectural History
Richard Shek, Ethnic History

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

Donn Grenda, Ph.D., Prehistoric Archaeology
Fernando Guerra, Folklore

STAFF PRESENT

Milford Wayne Donaldson, State Historic Preservation Officer
Jenan Saunders, Acting Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
Tara Lynch, Senior Staff Counsel, California State Parks
Jay Correia, State Historian III, Registration Unit Supervisor
Amy Crain, State Historian II
William Burg, State Historian I
Twila Willis-Hunter, Executive Secretary
Lucinda Woodward, State Historian III, Local Government Supervisor
Ron Parsons, State Historian I, Local Government Unit
Diane Thompson, Staff Services Analyst

I CALL TO ORDER

Legal notice having been duly given and a quorum present, the State Historical Resources Commission (Commission) meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Brandes.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Brandes led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. INTRODUCTION OF COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF

The Commissioners introduced themselves. Milford Wayne Donaldson, State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), introduced the Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) staff. Chairman Brandes then asked the members of the audience to introduce themselves, including special guest of honor Sandy Elder, former OHP staff member, who worked closely with the Commission and is a longtime active member of the Placer County historic preservation community.

IV. WELCOME

Auburn City Council Member and former Mayor Mike Holmes welcomed the Commission to the City of Auburn. He noted that the City Hall is in a building that used to be the grammar school from 1916 through 1962.

V. RESOLUTIONS

The City of Auburn resolution of recognition was accepted by City Council Member and former Mayor Mike Holmes.

The Auburn State Recreation Area and Placer County Historical Foundation resolution of recognition was accepted by Mike Lynch, Superintendent, California State Parks, Gold Fields District, Auburn Sector, and Donna Howell for the Placer County Historical Foundation.

The Placer County Museums Division resolution of recognition was accepted by Melanie Barton, Museums Administrator.

The City of Sausalito resolution of recognition as the newest Certified Local Government (as of July 14, 2011) was accepted by Heidi Burns for the City of Sausalito and Vicki Nichols.

VI. APPROVAL OF MAY 19, 2011 MINUTES

Chairman Brandes entertained a motion to approve the May 19, 2011, meeting minutes. Commissioner Polanco moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Commissioner

Moss seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried by majority vote, with Commissioner Shek abstaining because he was absent from the May 2011 meeting.

VII. COMMISSION AND STAFF REPORTS

A. Chairperson Brandes had no report.

B. Executive Secretary's Report

SHPO Donaldson thanked Melanie Barton, Donna Howell, Mike Holmes, and Mike Lynch for the August 4, 2011, tour and reception.

SHPO Donaldson noted that the President's budget had been approved, which meant that the National Historic Preservation Fund had been cut by 11 percent; OHP thus lost \$170,000 from its two-year grant.

SHPO Donaldson announced that under Acting Deputy SHPO Jenan Saunder's leadership, OHP is engaged in gathering information that will be coordinated into OHP's next five-year State Plan. OHP has already held four public listening sessions and one dedicated to feedback from Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (THPOs), along with an online survey of issues considered most critical for attention by OHP in the next five years. Next, using the data gathered thus far, OHP will conduct one-on-one interviews with selected individuals, including, if possible, the Commissioners.

SHPO Donaldson announced that OHP is also working to get a contract in place to develop a Strategic and Business Plan for outreach and education responsibilities, as well as for the information management responsibilities of OHP.

SHPO Donaldson asked Acting Deputy SHPO Jenan Saunders to speak about the OHP brochure. Ms. Saunders noted that OHP has not had a new brochure since the 1990s. She pointed out that the photos in the brochure do not have captions, so if people were interested in guessing what the photos depicted, they would find the photos identified on the OHP website.

SHPO Donaldson announced that under Diane Thompson's coordination, the Governor's Historic Preservation Awards are moving ahead. This year OHP received 19 nominations, from which an independent panel of jurors chose 12 to receive awards. Jurors this year included Commissioner Donn Grenda, former Commissioner Luis Hoyos, a professor at CSU Pomona, and Linda Dishman, Executive Director of the Los Angeles Conservancy.

SHPO Donaldson announced that OHP has sent out a Request for Proposals (RFP) to begin the process of having the El Camino Real designated as a World Heritage Site. OHP expects to receive a response to that RFP by August 15, 2011.

SHPO Donaldson asked Lucinda Woodward, Supervisor of the Local Government Unit, to discuss the recipients of the Certified Local Government grants for 2011-2012, which total \$184,500. There were fifteen applications for grants and ten were awarded.

This year's grants will go to: The City of Burbank, to develop a public education program and outreach; the City of Elk Grove, to develop a historic context statement for the Elk Grove Historic District; the City of La Quinta, to digitize two property surveys and make them available on the City's website; the City of Los Angeles, to expand the Participation and Outreach Implementation Program for SurveyLA; the City of Monterey, to prepare a historic context statement and reconnaissance historic survey; the City of Norco, to extend the City's historic context statement to address the modern era; the City of Pasadena, to prepare a Multiple Property Documentation Form on cultural landscapes in Pasadena; the City of Riverside, to prepare a historic context and intensive-level survey for the proposed Cliffside Historic District; the City of Sacramento, to revise and expand their historic context to provide direction and guidance for future historical and cultural resource surveys; and the City and County of San Francisco, to prepare a historic context and survey of residential tract developments constructed from 1930 to 1950.

SHPO Donaldson noted that Auburn is in Gold Country, which is E Clampus Vitus country as well. He said that a former SHPO, Knox Mellon, was also a Clamper, as was one of the directors of the California Preservation Foundation, John Merritt, along with Registration Unit Supervisor Jay Correia, and the Commission's special guest, Sandy Elder.

SHPO Donaldson then invited Sandy Elder up to the front of the Council Room. He told those in attendance that Ms. Elder entered state service in 1957 and was a state employee for more than 41 years. During that time, Ms. Elder managed to involve all the Clamper chapters in underwriting the plaques and monuments for a variety of California Historical Landmarks. He commended Ms. Elder for her valiant efforts on behalf of the Landmarks program. Ms. Elder thanked SHPO Donaldson for the acknowledgement, noting that she made an effort to attend all the Landmark plaque dedications, even after she retired. Ms. Elder then graciously autographed copies of the California Historical Landmarks book she authored for members of the Commission.

VIII. POWERPOINT PRESENTATIONS OF ALL NOMINATED PROPERTIES

Registration Unit staff presented a PowerPoint program that highlighted the properties to be heard by the Commission, including the one Discussion and Action Item.

IX. CONSENT ACTION ITEMS

A. National Register of Historic Places, New Nominations

1. Auburn City Hall and Fire House
Auburn, Placer County
Local Level of Significance
2. Auburn Fire House No. 2
Auburn, Placer County
Local Level of Significance

3. Auburn Hose Company No. 1
Auburn, Placer County
Local Level of Significance
4. Auburn IOOF Hall
Auburn, Placer County
Local Level of Significance
5. Auburn Masonic Temple
Auburn, Placer County
Local Level of Significance
6. Placer County Bank
Auburn, Placer County
Local Level of Significance
7. Livermore Carnegie Library and Park
Livermore, Alameda County
Local Level of Significance
8. Shoup, Paul, House
Los Altos, Santa Clara County
Local Level of Significance
9. Chapman House
Arcata, Humboldt County
Local Level of Significance

B. California Historical Landmarks, Update

CHL #549, Frog Woman Rock (formerly Squaw Rock)

Chairman Brandes asked whether anyone wanted to request that a nomination be withdrawn. An audience member requested that more information be supplied about Auburn Firehouse No. 1. She added that originally, that firehouse was called the Auburn Hook and Ladder Company. Jay Correia asked if she would like the nomination to include that information, which she did. He said that such a change to the nomination could be made after the meeting and before the nomination was forwarded to the Keeper, and was not considered substantive. She agreed to communicate with William Burg to be sure that her change was included.

Chairman Brandes asked for a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Vice-Chair Moss made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Commissioner Bertoli seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

Auburn City Councilman and former Mayor Mike Holmes thanked the Commission for voting unanimously to send the Auburn nominations forward.

Bill and Patricia Jennings, owners of the Shoup House, also thanked the Commission, noting that their house was the first in Los Altos to be nominated to the National Register.

Shawn Pady, of the Hopland Band of Pomo Indians, thanked the Commission for approving the name change for Landmark 549 and thanked OHP staff for their help.

Sage La Pena, who used to work for State Parks at the California Indian Museum and now works for the Hopland Band of Pomo Indians, said that as someone who works with young women in the health department of the Hopland tribe, it means a lot to have a name restored that not only provides cultural awareness, but also lifts some of the oppression that results from the use of the word "squaw."

Hawk Rosales, the Executive Director of the Intertribal Sinkyone Wilderness Council, a consortium of ten federally-recognized tribes based in Mendocino County, one of which is the Hopland Band of Pomo Indians, also spoke in support of this amendment to the name of this landmark. The location of Frog Woman Rock is on land owned by Rosales' family. He thanked the Commission for its action on this issue.

X. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEM

National Register of Historic Places

Boulevard Park Historic District
Sacramento, Sacramento County
Local Level of Significance

Chairman Brandes noted that he had received speaker slips from only those supporting this nomination.

Asha Jennings, President of the Boulevard Park Neighborhood Association, spoke in support of the nomination. She noted that William Burg, who wrote the nomination, continued the work initiated twenty years before by the Boulevard Park Historic Committee.

Dr. Jon B. Marshack also spoke in support of the Boulevard Park Historic District nomination.

Roberta Deering, of the City of Sacramento Preservation Office, also spoke in support of the nomination. Ms. Deering commented that the Boulevard Park Historic District was designated by the City in the late 1980s.

Staff Historian William Burg also added that before he took on the nomination, the City had contracted with consultant Leslie Crow to write the nomination. She passed away

before being able to complete the nomination, but Mr. Burg wanted to acknowledge the value of her work on this nomination and as an advocate for historic preservation.

Chairman Brandes asked for a motion if commissioners were ready to vote. Commissioner Polanco moved the nomination be forwarded to the Keeper for listing on the National Register. Commissioner Shek seconded. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

XI. COMMISSION DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

A. California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) Data Access Agreement

SHPO Donaldson explained that action would be deferred on this item because Commissioner Donn Grenda, who has been working on this matter and could not attend this meeting, asked that the matter be continued until the next meeting.

B. Office of Historic Preservation Mission and Vision Statements

SHPO Donaldson called on Acting Deputy SHPO Jenan Saunders to discuss the new mission and vision statements for OHP. Ms. Saunders explained that in January 2011, OHP had held a day and a half strategic planning meeting, focusing on where staff would like to see OHP going in the future. One of the outcomes of that meeting was to revise OHP's Mission Statement as well as to create a Vision Statement for OHP.

C. Dates for 2012 SHRC Meetings

SHPO Donaldson asked Commissioners to check their calendars against the proposed meeting dates in the agenda and to let OHP staff know as soon as possible if there are conflicts. He added that the Commission works around the California Preservation Foundation Conference held annually in May and must also adhere to rules regarding notification in setting meeting dates. Meeting dates will be finalized at the next meeting.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

As there were neither Committee reports nor any comments forthcoming from Commissioners, Chairman Brandes adjourned the regular meeting of the Commission at 10:46 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Milford Wayne Donaldson FAIA
State Historic Preservation Officer

Date